

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend pages 3, 6-8 and 10-12 as follows:

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In a preferred embodiment of this invention the mounting structure structure on the outer surface of the central section is in the form of hook members of the known hook/loop ~~velcro~~ VELCRO® construction. A preferred wipe is a needle punched material having loops that would be caught by the hook members on the cover. The wipes could be either wet wipes or dry wipes. The cover could be a flat sheet which when placed around the broom head, forms an open sided enclosure. The size of the flat bottom central section could be increased by folding portions of the end sections and then securing the folded portions to the central section. In a variation of the invention the cover is of a bag type that completely encloses the broom head. If desired, the cover could be impregnated with a cleaning composition.

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As shown in Figure 6 end section 14 of attachment 10 is notched or bifurcated and terminates in a pair of outwardly extending flaps 22,22. The inner surface of flaps 22,22 is provided with fastening structure 24 which could be in the form of ~~velcro~~ VELCRO® hooks or loops. End section 12 includes on its outer surface complementary hooks or loops 26 to provide complementary fastening structure which would engage and be locked to fastening structure 24. Complementary fastening structure 26 could be two aligned strips corresponding to the location of fastening structure 24 on flaps 22,22 or could be a single strip across end section 12.

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Any suitable type of reusable mounting structure 18 could be used. In a preferred practice of the invention the mounting structure 18 is the hook portions of velcro material. Figure 4 thus shows a ~~velcro~~ VELCRO® hook strip 18 to be located on the exposed outer surface of central section 16. The hook structure is particularly suitable to have secure attachment of a wipe 20 where the wipe is made of a known needle punched material. A needle punched material is a known nonwoven fabric which is a dense machine entangled material having a surface of fiber loops and twists. Thus, the hooks of mounting structure 18 would engage the loops of wipe 20. Alternatively, other types of materials as later described can be used for wipe 20 with other types of fastening structures. For example, the wipe material (of a form other than needle punched) may be provided with one or more strips of hook or loop formations from a ~~velcro~~ VELCRO® material which would be engaged with the complementary hooks or loops as the fastening structure 18 on bottom section 16.

04 If desired, fold lines 28,28 could be provided at the edges of central ~~sections~~ section 16 to assure that the central section has a proper width corresponding to the width of the bottom of the broom head bristles 8. Similarly, fold lines 30,30 may be provided to facilitate the folding of the flaps.

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It is also to be understood that the attachment 10 may include as the fastening structure and the reusable mounting structure fastening elements such as velcro strips located at one or more areas of the attachment. Thus, for example, the central section 16 may have a single ~~velcro~~ VELCRO® strip 18 or may have a plurality of spaced or juxtaposed strips. Similarly, the flaps 22 may have one or more sets of strips which could be either over a wide area or over narrow areas of the flaps and correspondingly the end section 12 could have one or more sets of strips or other fasteners.

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Figures 10-11 illustrate yet another form of attachment 10B which is generally in the form of a bag having side walls 38,40 and end walls 42,42 with an open top. The bottom wall 44 would correspond to the previously described central section 16. Bottom wall 44 would include reusable mounting structure 46 which could be in the form of a pair of ~~velcro~~ VELCRO® hook strips for engagement with wipe 20. The bag could be loose fitting or dimensioned to be custom fit for broom head 6. In use the bag would be slid over the broom head 6 to completely cover the bristles 8 and broom head 6. The open end of the bag would then be secured to the broom head in any suitable manner such as by the use of a twist tie 48 which closes the bag around the handle 4. Attachment 10B would be particularly useful with large size brooms. The attachment 10B thus forms an enclosure which completely encloses the broom head. Although Figure 11 illustrates the use of twist ties 48 as the fastening structure, other types of fastening members could be used including tie members integrally formed on the attachment 10b.